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IN THE SUPREME COURT OF THE STATE OF HAWAI'I

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STATE OF HAWAI'I, Petitioner,

vs.

THE HONORABLE MICHELLE N. COMEAU, Judge of the District Court of  
the First Circuit, State of Hawai'i, Respondent Judge,

and

TYRUS SORAL WOODARD, Respondent.

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ORIGINAL PROCEEDING  
(CASE NO. 1DTC-18-011809)

ORDER DENYING PETITION FOR A WRIT DIRECTED TO A JUDGE  
(By: Recktenwald, C.J., Nakayama, McKenna, Pollack, and Wilson, JJ.)

Upon consideration of petitioner State of Hawai'i's  
petition for a writ directed to a judge, filed on October 24,  
2018, the documents submitted in support thereof, and the record,  
it appears that, under the specific facts and circumstances in  
this case, petitioner fails to demonstrate that it is entitled to  
the requested relief by way of an extraordinary writ. See  
Honolulu Advertiser, Inc. v. Takao, 59 Haw. 237, 241, 580 P.2d  
58, 62 (1978) (a writ of mandamus is not intended to supersede

the legal discretionary authority of the trial courts, cure a mere legal error, or serve as a legal remedy in lieu of normal appellate procedure). Accordingly,

IT IS HEREBY ORDERED that the petition for a writ directed to a judge is denied.

DATED: Honolulu, Hawai'i, November 28, 2018.

/s/ Mark E. Recktenwald

/s/ Paula A. Nakayama

/s/ Sabrina S. McKenna

/s/ Richard W. Pollack

/s/ Michael D. Wilson

